

SEC. 2. For the purpose of effecting land consolidations between the Colville Indians and non-Indians in Ferry and Okanogan Counties, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized, with the consent of the tribal council as evidenced by a resolution adopted in accordance with the constitution and bylaws of the tribe, under such regulations as he may prescribe, to sell or exchange tribal lands in connection with the acquisition of lieu lands, and to acquire through purchase, exchange, or relinquishment, lands or any interest in lands, water rights, or surface rights. The acquisition of lands pursuant to this Act shall be limited to lands within the boundary of the reservation. Exchanges of lands, including improvements thereon, shall be made on the basis of approximate equal value. In carrying out the provisions of this Act, if non-Indian lands are involved the board of county commissioners of counties in which land is located shall by proper resolution consent before such non-Indian land is acquired for the tribe or an individual Indian. No lands or interests in lands owned by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation shall be subject to disposition hereafter without the consent of the duly authorized governing body of the tribes, and no lands or interests in lands shall be acquired for the tribes without the consent of the said governing body.

SEC. 3. Title to lands or any interest therein acquired pursuant to this Act shall be taken in the name of the United States of America in trust for the tribe or individual Indian and shall be nontaxable as other tribal and allotted trust Indian lands of the Colville Reservation.

SEC. 4. The agreement entered into by the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation and Okanogan and Ferry Counties of the State of Washington on April 21, 1954, is hereby ratified and approved.

SEC. 5. The Business Council of the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation shall, in accordance with resolution numbered 1955-33, dated April 8, 1955, of the Colville Business Council, submit to the Secretary of the Interior within five years from the date of enactment of this Act proposed legislation providing for the termination of Federal supervision over the property and affairs of the Confederated Tribes and their members within a reasonable time after the submission of such proposed legislation.

Approved July 24, 1956.

Public Law 773

CHAPTER 685

AN ACT

To amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide recognition for meritorious service by members of the police and fire departments of the District of Columbia", approved March 4, 1929.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first section of the Act entitled "An Act to provide recognition for meritorious service by members of the police and fire departments of the District of Columbia, approved March 4, 1929, is amended to read as follows:

"That for the official recognition of outstanding acts in the line of duty by the members of the police and fire departments of the District of Columbia there shall be awarded annually one gold medal and one or more silver medals, appropriately inscribed, to those members of each department who have by outstanding or conspicuous services earned such awards."

Approved July 24, 1956.

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Firemen.
Medals.
45 Stat. 1556,
D. C. Code 4-701.